

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

### **Chief of Party, Initiative for Media Freedom**

Equal Access International

**Position Location:** Manila, Philippines

#### **Background:**

Equal Access International (EAI) is an international not for profit organization (501c3) working throughout Asia and Africa. A communication for social change organization that combines the power of media with community mobilization, EA creates customized communications strategies and outreach solutions that address the most critical challenges affecting people in the developing world in the areas of peace and transforming extremism, women's and girl's empowerment, governance, civic participation, youth development, human rights and health.

#### **Summary:**

EAI is preparing for the USAID/Philippines Initiative for Media Freedom Activity which aims to advance media and capacity and independence through the following three inter-related objectives: 1) improved environment for a free press; 2) bolster capacity of media and other organizations to address disinformation; and 3) strengthened media self-regulation. This project is aligned with USAID/Philippines strategic objective to enhance democratic governance that provides economic and political inclusion and advances social stability. This project is anticipated to be awarded by September 30, 2019.

#### **Position:**

The Chief of Party (COP) will provide overall leadership, management and general technical direction of the activity, ensuring an integrated approach to achieving project results. The COP shall be the principal point of contact in the Philippines for procedural and substantive matters, including technical matters. S/he shall coordinate and ultimately be responsible for management and implementation of the activity. S/he shall also be responsible for ensuring quality control and the overall responsiveness of technical assistance provided under the award. S/he will be expected to proactively identify issues and risks related to activity implementation in a timely manner, and suggest appropriate adjustments.

#### **Reporting & Supervision:**

The Chief of Party will report to a Project Director based in Washington, DC.

#### **Required Skills & Qualifications:**

- Master's degree in a relevant field such as communications or journalism.
- At least eight (8) years prior work experience in managing a project with a size and scope comparable to this Activity.
- At least three (3) years of demonstrated intensive relevant experience in any two (2) programing areas relevant to this Activity.
- At least three (3) years of substantial prior work engagement in the Philippines or a country with a similar context.

#### **Preferred Skills & Qualifications:**

- Excellent oral and written communication skills. Demonstrated ability to think strategically and communicate his/her vision to partners and colleagues.
- Proven experience navigating complex and high-pressure operating environments.

- Demonstrated ability to establish and sustain interpersonal and professional relationships with different donors, civil society organizations, and host country government counterparts.

**To Apply:**

Interested applicants should e-mail a copy of your CV and statement of interest to [jobs@equalaccess.org](mailto:jobs@equalaccess.org) with the reference “COP, USAID Media Freedom in Philippines” in the subject line. Filipino Nationals are strongly encouraged to apply.

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